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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
In Hwan Choi et al.  
Serial No: 10/792,209  
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For: VSB TRANSMISSION SYSTEM FOR PROCESSING  
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Art Unit:

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- Enclosed is a search report for a counterpart application. The search report Examiner has provided comments on the relevancy of any non-English language references cited in the search report.
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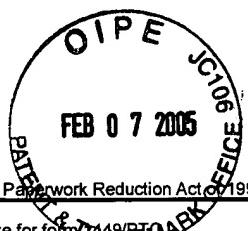
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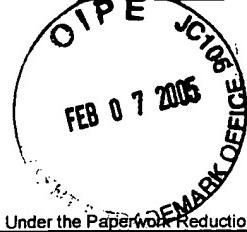
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